

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

MICHAEL SPAFFORD, JR., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS  
CORPORATION, et al.,

Defendants.

CASE NO. C06-479JLR

MINUTE ORDER

The following minute order is made by the direction of the court, the Honorable  
James L. Robart:

The court is in receipt of Defendants' request (Dkt. # 9) that the clerk certify to the  
Attorney General of the State of Washington that Defendants have called into question  
the constitutionality of a state statute affecting the public interest in its pending motion to  
dismiss (Dkt. # 7). Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 24(c) and 28 U.S.C. § 2403(b), this court  
is required to provide adequate notice to the Attorney General of such a challenge.  
Fordyce v. City of Seattle, 55 F.3d 436, 442 (9th Cir. 1995). Accordingly, the court  
directs the clerk to send a copy of this minute order as well as a copy of Defendants'  
request (Dkt. # 9), pending motion (Dkt. # 7), and supporting papers (Dkt. # 6) to the  
Office of the Attorney General: 1125 Washington St. SE, PO BOX 40100, Olympia, WA  
98504-0100.

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1 Filed and entered this 15th day of May, 2006.

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